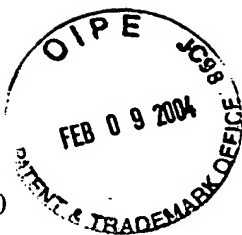


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HIDETOSHI YANO, ET AL. : EXAMINER: LEE, S.
SERIAL NO: 10/026,743 :
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IMAGE FORMING APPARATUS USING
THE SAME

AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

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SIR:

In response to the Office Action dated November 7, 2003, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

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Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

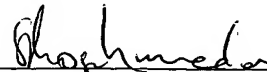
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- ☐ Small entity status of this application under 37 C.F.R. §1.9 and §1.27 is claimed.
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